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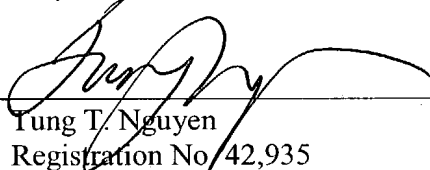
- 1) Sheldon et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,765,143 issued June 9, 1998;
- 2) Fox et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,832,456 issued November 3, 1998; and
- 3) Bellini et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,974,395 issued October 26, 1999.

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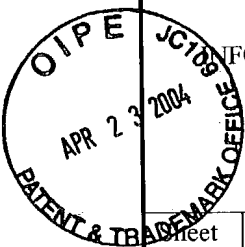
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